

Cemetery Trustees  
November 13, 2012

Present: Mary Blank, Geraldine Plotts, Linda Russell, Roxanne MacConnell, Patricia Little

Minutes

The minutes from October meeting were tabled until December.

Report of Cemeteries

Mary and Linda did the fall cleanup of the Village Cemetery, which they described as good. Even after the recent bad weather, there were only a few branches that had fallen in the West Yard Cemetery. The sexton removed the water barrel and the debris from the fall cleanup. The Ellen Miller headstone was reset by the Sexton. The Trustees discussed what should be done - if anything - with the toppled headstones at the West Yard Cemetery. It was decided to leave them with the hope that they would not be stolen.

Mary reported that Peter Rhoades and his son visited the West Yard Cemetery to view the topped headstones. It was their consensus that this activity was weather related with a long dry spell and recent downpours of rain. There are over 20 headstones that have leaned. Perhaps they could be addressed - as time permits - by the Highway crew.

Mary noted that one of the two wooden crosses remaining in the Village Cemetery has decayed and it was picked up during the fall cleanup. A letter would be written to the family advising them of the recent change in Cemetery regulations which require permanent markers. Patty offered to write the letter. The remaining wooden cross would remain until such time as it too decays.

NH Cemetery Association - Annual Meeting

None of the trustees were able to attend the annual association meeting. The registration check was returned.

Internal Revenue Service

Mary noted that she has been able to contact the Internal Revenue Service about the 990T form. It was expected that reimbursement checks from the Internal Revenue Service would be received by the end of November or early December.

Mowing Request for Proposals

The Trustees will be reviewing the submittals for the cemetery mowing at their meeting in January. Patty has not had an opportunity to send out the proposals to the list of potential providers.

Master Plan

Mary reported that she found where the Cemetery Trustees in another community had prepared a master plan for their cemetery. She added that this would require several hours of work.

### Trustees' Terms

Mary stated with Patty's resignation effective Dec. 31, 2012 that she would probably run for a one-year term when her term expires and that a new Cemetery Trustees should be solicited for the remainder of Patty's term. They discussed several options. The Selectmen will make the appointment until the March town meetings. Roxanne agreed to serve as the secretary.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Little  
Secretary